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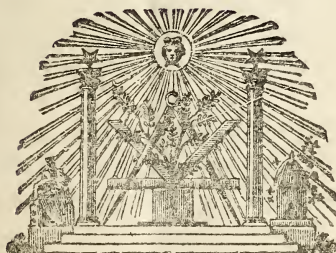
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GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Monday Evening, Dec. 2, 1844.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, was held at their Hall, in the City of Raleigh, on the 2nd day of December, 1844, according to adjournment.

PRESENT :

M. W. JOHN H. WHEELER, G. M.

P. W. FANNING, G. S. W.

WILLIE W. JOHNSON, G. J. W., P. T.

C. W. D. HUTCHINGS, G. T.

WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, G. S. P. T.

FRANCIS H. REEDER, G. S. D.

GEORGE H. CAIN, G. J. D.

WILLIAM G. HILL, G. S. B.

JAS. K. HILL, G. M., P. T.

WESLEY HOLLISTER, G. P.

REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE FOLLOWING SUBORDINATE LODGES :

St. John's Lodge, No. 1, Wilmington—Bro. D. W. Stone.

Concord Lodge, No. 58, Tarboro'—Bro. L. C. Pender.

Saint John's Lodge, No. 96, Kinston—Bro. Thos. S. Clarke.

Wake Forest Lodge, No. 97, Wake—Jno. R. Thomas.

Star in the East, No. 103, Elizabeth City, dues paid but no representative.

Joseph Warren, No. 92, Stantonsburg, Bro. E. G. Speight.

Belmont Lodge, (by Dispensation,) Duplin Co. Jas. K. Hill.

VISITING BRETHREN.

Bro. W. B. Dunn, Joseph T. Hunter, Isaac Winston, John H. Bell, Jas. W. Osborne, O. L. Burch, Jas. J. Pender, Sol. Pender, Jun., Jas M. Bogle, Isaac B. Kelly.

No other business to transact, the Grand Lodge was called off, until Wednesday evening, December, 4, 1844.

WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, Gr. Sec. P. T.

Wednesday, Dec. 4, 1844.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT.

M. W. JOHN H. WHEELER, G. M.
 D. W. STONE, P. G. M.
 THOMAS LORING, P. D. G. M.
 P. W. FANNING, G. S. W.
 WILLIE W. JOHNSON, G. J. W. P. T.
 C. W. D. HUTCHINGS, G. T.
 WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, G. S., P. T.
 FRANCIS H. REEDER, G. S. D.
 GEORGE H. CAIN, G. J. D.
 WILLIAM G. HILL, G. S. B.
 SOL. PENDER, G. M., P. T.
 L. C. PENDER, G. P., P. T.
 RICHARD W. ASHTON, G. T.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master submitted the following communication, which was read and adopted :

To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina, now in session :

By a resolution now in force of the Grand Lodge, it is the duty of the Grand Master to examine the communications received during the recess of the Grand Lodge, and

communicate such abstracts as May be deemed important.

The proceedings of the Grand Lodges of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, Maryland, Virginia, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, Indiana, Ohio, Iowa, Texas, and Louisiana, have been examined by me, and contain the most cheering evidence of the flourishing condition of the craft, and increased zeal for the welfare of the order. These communications will all be referred to a Standing Committee by usage of this Grand Lodge, and from them many valuable extracts and suggestions may be made. Those from Massachusetts, New York and Mississippi, are full of interest. The *Tableau Annual* of Louisiana, informs us that the craft in that State while working under one Grand Lodge, use three different rites : Rite d'York, Rite Ecossais, and Rite Moderne. From them I learn too, that in many of the Grand Lodges, to prevent confusion, the Grand Secretaries and Treasurers gives bond and security for the faithful performance of their duty. No portion of society is under more solemn obligations to fidelity in every duty of life than Masons, and in official matters it is alike due to the dignity of the station, as demanded by self-respect, and regard to the interests of the craft.

As regards the system of establishing a Charity School, for the benefit of orphans of Masons and others, the report of the agent has not as yet been received, nor am I advised of his progress, or with what cordiality his mission was received by the Lodges he visited. He will doubtless report, and when received, shall be communicated. I regret that some have manifested opposition to it. I herewith enclose a communication from the Hall Lodge, No. 53, on that subject, marked A.

It was reported to me, during your recess, that the Widow's Sons' Lodge, No. 75, Camden, was not held at

that place, but travelled from place to place. I promptly dispatched as Deputy Grand Master, a skilful Brother, whose report "that whatever disorder had existed had been corrected, and that no complaints of the kind would again occur." The report is herewith submitted, marked B.

By the resolution of the Grand Lodge, December 13, 1842, the Grand Master was instructed to investigate the situation of the house and lot belonging to the Johnson, Caswell Lodge, in the town of Warrenton. I appointed Brother J. J. Judkins, who sold the same for \$75, which has been deposited in the Grand Master's hands. The report of Brother Judkins is herewith submitted, marked C.

The communication of a Brother, as to the lot belonging to the Lodge in Beaufort, which by non-usage belongs to the Grand Lodge, is herewith submitted, marked D.

The communication by letter of the R. W. Grand Lodge of Mississippi, on sending a Masonic Delegate to Europe, is also communicated. At our last Annual Communication, this Grand Lodge approved the suggestion, but the communication recommends a worthy Brother, John DeLafuid, Jr. as a delegate. It is herewith submitted, marked E.

I also communicate a communication from Paris, of the Lodge "De la Clemente et Amitie," proposing an interchange of fraternal kindness and Masonic brotherhood.

I feel much in hopes that no necessity will be found to adopt decisive measures against delinquent Lodges under the jurisdiction of our Grand Lodge. It requires a constant exercise of one of the great attributes of our order, to excuse many of their "negligences" in omitting to send up delegates and dues. I hope that your wisdom will suggest at this communication, some mode to secure a faithful compliance, and that our institution may continue to be cherished among us, a place where we can all

meet as brothers, where sectarianism loses its rancor, and party spirit forgets its spleen.

REPRESENTATIVES.

Hiram Lodge, No. 40, Raleigh—Bros. Hutchings and W. G. Hill.

Skewarkee Lodge, No. 90, Williamston—Bro. A. S. Mooring.

Morning Star, No. 85, Nashville—Bro. J. H. Drake.

Hiram Lodge, No. 98, Clinton—Bro. J. R. Beaman.

Perseverance, No. 59, Plymouth—Bro. D. W. Stone.

Widow's Son Lodge, No. 75, Camden—Bro. D. W. Stone.

Hall Lodge, No. 53, Currituck—Bro. C. Etheridge.

VISITING BRETHREN.

Bros. Waltering, Litchford, Whitaker, Pescud, Solomon Pender, Jr.

The following Standing Committees were appointed by the Most Worshipful Grand Master:

On Charters and Dispensations—Bros. E. G. Speight, Mooring and Etheridge.

On Communications from Grand Lodges and Miscellaneous subjects—Bros. P. W. Fanning, Thomas S. Clarke and J. H. Drake.

On Grand Treasurer's Accounts—Bros. D. W. Stone, Beaman, and W. G. Hill.

On Returns from Subordinate Lodges and dues from the same—Bros. Pender, Thomas and Cain.

On Accounts and Claims against the Grand Lodge—Bros. C. W. D. Hutchings and D. W. Stone.

On the Charity School—Bros. Clarke, Fanning and Loring.

A communication from Messrs. Buck and Gray was read, and was referred to Bro. P. W. Fanning and the Building Committee.

On motion of Bro. P. W. Fanning, it was

Resolved, That so much of the Grand Master's communication as refers to Reports from Grand Lodges, be referred to the Standing Committee on Foreign Communications and Miscellaneous Subjects; and so much as relates to Widow's Son Lodge, and delinquent Lodges be referred to the Committee on Returns and Communications from Subordinate Lodges.

On motion of Bro. Thomas S. Clarke, it was

Resolved, That so much of the Grand Master's communication as relates to the Charity School, be referred to a Select Committee: That so much as relates to the propriety of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer entering into bonds for the true and faithful performance of the duties of their respective offices, be referred to the Committee on Grand Treasurer's Accounts: That so much as refers to Subordinate Lodges, be referred to the Standing Committee on that subject.

Brother Thomas S. Clarke submitted the following Preamble and Resolution, which were read and adopted:

Whereas, it is currently reported, that Lodge in Newbern has ceased to work, and been dissolved by the voluntary action of its members, and has therefore ceased to exist as a Lodge:

Therefore resolved, That a Committee be appointed to inquire if the said Lodge has forfeited its charter, and if it should be shewn to the satisfaction of the Committee that its charter has been forfeited by its ceasing to work, as has been alleged, that they be authorized to demand and take possession of the jewels and property of the Lodge, and make such disposition of the property and effects as they shall judge expedient and advisable, and report their proceedings to the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge.

Bros. T. S. Clarke, Matthew Outten, and Francis Prentiss, were appointed a Committee in accordance with the above Resolution.

The Grand Lodge then adjourned until to-morrow evening, the 5th instant, at half past six o'clock.

WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, Gr. Sec. P. T.

Thursday Evening, Dec. 5, 1844.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT.

D. W. STONE, P. G. M. in the Chair.
 DANIEL L. CRENSHAW, P. G. M.
 THOMAS LORING, P. D. G. M.
 P. W. FANNING, G. S. W.
 WILLIE W. JOHNSON, G. J. W. P. T.
 C. W. D. HUTCHINGS, G. T.
 WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, G. S., P. T.
 FRANCIS H. REEDER, G. S. D.
 A. S. MOORING, G. J. D. P. T.
 WILLIAM G. HILL, G. S. B.
 J. R. BEAMAN, G. M., P. T.
 E. G. SPEIGHT, G. P., P. T.
 RICHARD W. ASHTON, G. T.

REPRESENTATIVES.

American George Lodge, No. 17, Murfresboro'—Bro. W. W. Cherry.

Perquimons Lodge, No. 106, Hertford—W. W. Cherry.

Hiram Lodge, No. 98, Clinton—Bro. J. R. Beaman.

Skewarkee Lodge, No. 90, Williamston—Bro. A. S. Mooring.

Morning Star, No. 85, Nashville—Bro. J. H. Drake.

Perseverance, No. 59, Plymouth—Bro. D. W. Stone.

Widow's Son Lodge, No. 75, Camden—Bro. D. W. Stone.

St. John's Lodge, No. 1, Wilmington—Bro. D. W. Stone.

Hall Lodge, No. 53, Currituck—Bro. C. Etheridge.
 Saint John's Lodge, No. 96, Kinston—Bro. Thos. S. Clarke.

VISITERS.

Bros. Jos. T. Hunter, John H. DeCarterett.

MEMBERS.

Bros. W. W. Cherry, James S. Pender, James K. Hill, John R. Thomas.

The respective Committees on Charters and Dispensations; on Grand Lodges and Miscellaneous Subjects; on Subordinate Lodges and Dues from the same; on Accounts and Claims against the Grand Lodge, and on the Charity School, asked leave for farther time to report, which was granted.

The Committee on the Grand Treasurer's Accounts, submitted the following Report, which was read and adopted:

The Committee to whom was referred the Grand Treasurer's Accounts, and other subjects, beg to submit the following

REPORT:

The Grand Treasurer submitted his accounts to them this morning, by which it appeared as per annexed account, that he had received since the last Annual Communication,

\$355 00

Which added to balance on hand then,

75 10

Makes a total of

430 10

Of which he had paid out, for which satisfactory

vouchers were exhibited, \$289 29

To which add 5 per cent. on \$355,

17 75

Together,

307 04

Leaving a balance in the Grand Treasurer's Communication of

123 06

Which consists of cash,

89 23

J. D. Royster's note,

33 83

123 06

There is some interest due on J. D. Royster's note, which is not estimated in this statement, and they recommend that the Grand Treasurer be directed forthwith to collect said note, as it is for money received by him for rents when he had charge of the building, and should have long since been paid over.

There is also the sum of \$12, due on the 1st January next, from Mr. Gray, for rent, less the cost of a Fender, which he has put to the fire place, and was agreed to be allowed for.

The Committee regret, that in the discharge of their duty, they feel constrained to bring to the notice of the Grand Lodge, the culpable conduct of the late Grand Secretary, W. A. Harrison. From the best estimates they have been able to make, there was some \$350 or \$400, paid in by the Subordinate Lodges at the Communication of this Grand Lodge, in December, 1843, of which only \$240 have come to the hands of the Grand Treasurer; the balance was received by the Grand Secretary, which he neglects and refuses to pay over or account for in any way, though repeatedly applied to for that purpose, and hence it is one of the causes why our funds are so very low at this time. They communicate the facts as they have learnt them, and leave it to the Grand Lodge to pursue such course towards him as their wisdom may dictate. This is the second time within the knowledge of one of your Committee, that a default has been committed by the proper accounting officers of the Grand Lodge, and they think it high time that some measure should be adopted to guard against such a contingency in future, as far as it is practicable to be done, and they therefore recommend that in future the Grand Treasurer shall give a bond in the penal sum of \$1000, and the Grand Secretary of \$500, faithfully to discharge their duties and account for all moneys and effects that may

come to their hands belonging to the Grand Lodge. In making this recommendation, they feel constrained to say in justice to the present Grand Treasurer, that his accounts are fair and correct, so far as they know or believe, and this recommendation is only made to endeavor to provide against future casualties, and not at all to impugn his conduct, which has been worthy of all commendation.

C. W. D. Hutchings, in account with the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, for the year 1844, A. D.

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Dec. 7, To Balance on hand as per Report to last Annual Communication, Cash \$41 27,	
J. D. Royster's note, \$33 83,	\$75 10
To cash received of Grand Secretary at communication in Dec. 1843,	160 00
" Cash received of Phoenix Lodge, No. 8, by Bro. Wheeler,	20 00
" Cash received of Orr Lodge, No. 104, by Bro. Wheeler,	30 00
" Cash received of Widow's Son Lodge, No. 75, by Bro. Stone,	10 00
" Cash received of Perquimons Lodge, No. 106, by Bro. Stone,	10 00
" Cash received of Hiram Lodge, No. 40, by Bro. Grimme,	10 00
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Dec. 3. To Cash received of Grand Master for the sale of Lodge Building, Johnson Caswell, of Warrenton,	75 00
To Cash received for Rent of Room in lower story of Lodge, of Mr. Peck,	40 00
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	\$430 00

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Jan'y. By Cash paid for Insurance on Lodge Building,	\$27 00
By Cash paid to J. H. Wheeler, Grand Master, expenses to Burton's \times Road,	25 00
By Cash paid to J. H. Wheeler, Grand Master, pay for Masonic "Trestle" Board,	10 00
By Cash paid to T. J. Lemay's account,	6 25
" " " J. E. Lumsden's "	8 75
" " " Wm. Peck's "	9 12
" " " T. Loring's "	95 33
" " " Jas. McKimmon's "	9 60
" " " Reeder & Lougee "	13 65
" " " Taxes on Lodge,	13 00
" " " John Wilson's account,	10 00
" " " Geo. Tonoffske "	1 50
" " " G. W. & C. Grimme's account,	7 34
" " " R. W. Ashton, Tyler,	3 00
" " " " "	29 75
" " " " "	20 00

Amount of Receipts, \$430 10, since last communication,

Deduct	75 10,	balance on
hand then		
Balance,	\$355 00 5 per ct. com.	17 75
Leaving a balance on hand and due the Grand Lodge, of		123 06
		<u>\$430 10</u>

All of which is respectfully submitted by

DAVID W. STONE,
WM. G. HILL,
J. R. BEAMAN.

The Committee to whom was referred the communication of Messrs. Gray and Buck, relative to renting the

basement of the Lodge building, made their report, which was read and adopted, and Bro. C. W. D. Hutchings was appointed a Committee to take charge of the building during the pleasure of the Grand Lodge.

The Committee to whom was referred the communication of Messrs. Gray and Buck, relative to renting the Basement of the Lodge Building, &c. beg leave to

REPORT :

That they have called on the gentlemen and examined the premises, and recommend that a Committee of one be appointed, to be denominated the Building Committee, to act during the pleasure of the Grand Lodge, who shall take charge of the Building, attend to any necessary repairs, and use discretionary powers in renting the same. That the above communication be put into his hands, with authority to make such arrangements as he may think advisable, and for the benefit of this Grand Lodge; and furthermore, that he report annually his proceedings.

All which is respectfully submitted.

P. W. FANNING,

C. W. D. HUTCHINGS.

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Thomas Loring, it was

Resolved, That a Committee of two be appointed to wait on Bro. William A. Harrison, Grand Secretary, and request him to appear before the Grand Lodge on to-morrow evening, 6th instant, to answer to certain charges brought against him by the Committee on the Grand Treasurer's Accounts.

Bros. Thomas Loring and William T. Bain were appointed that Committee.

The communication of Bro. William W. Cherry, relative to the expulsion of Mr. Wilkinson, from Concord Lodge No. 58, 'Tarboro', was referred to a Committee consisting of Bros. W. W. Cherry and L. D. Wilson.

The Committee appointed at the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge to enquire into the propriety and expediency of empowering her subordinate Lodges to confer the Past Master's Degree, made their report, which was read and adopted.

The Committee appointed under a Resolution of the last Grand Lodge to inquire into the propriety and expediency of empowering her Subordinate Lodges to confer the Past Master's Degree, and report to the Annual Grand Communication, have given the subject due consideration and beg leave to

REPORT :

That they can discover no justifiable grounds upon which to recommend the adoption of the measure above proposed ; on the contrary, the researches of the Committee have only strengthened them in the conclusion to which they have arrived.

The Committee will not tire your patience by entering into a labored argument to prove the impropriety and inexpediency of the measure proposed, but will content themselves by simply stating the grounds of their objections which must be evident to every one who has taken the higher Degrees of Masonry :—

1st. It is inexpedient, because it is competent for any Past Master, with suitable assistance, to qualify and instal the Master elect of any Lodge, who being thus duly installed, becomes himself qualified to instal his successor. But the power of a Past Master, in conferring the Degree, extends not beyond what is here set forth. The Degree of Past Master pertains to the Chair alone ; and so far as the Blue Lodge is concerned, can only be conferred on whoever is regularly elected to that seat.

2nd. Royal Arch Chapters are recognized as legally constituted Masonic bodies, and this Degree is embraced within their Charters ; to transfer it to the Blue Lodges,

would be an unjustifiable infringement of the rights of the Chapters, and have a tendency to bring the Lodge and Chapter in collision.

3. The last and strongest ground of objection is the fact, that it would be an innovation, as clearly set forth in the Articles of Union between the Grand Lodges of York and London, which may be found in Moore's Magazine, vol. 3, page 271, in the words following:—"Article 2 declares and pronounces, that pure, Ancient Masonry consists of *three* Degrees, and no more." This language would seem to be strong and explicit enough to settle the question.

Should it be insisted upon as a matter of expediency, it is at best but an Honorary Degree; and if one such Degree might be added, where would be the end of the innovations? Should it even be urged, the practice of other Lodges, whether in our own or other countries, it is no precedent for us to follow, more especially if it be, as believed by your Committee to be, radically wrong. The Committee would therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge deem it inexpedient and improper, if not illegal, to authorize the conferring of the Post Master's Degree by the Subordinate Lodges.

All which is respectfully submitted,

P. W. FANNING,
DAVID W. STONE,
T. LORING,

Committee.

Brother Lewis C. Pender, Senior Warden of, and Representative from Concord Lodge, No. 58, 'Tarboro', being compelled to return home, appointed Bro. Joseph S. Pender a Delegate for said Lodge in his stead, until the Grand Lodge shall close its present convocation.

The Committee consisting of Bros. Wesley Hollister

and C. W. D. Hutchings, appointed at the last meeting of the Grand Lodge, to consult and advise upon the expulsion of Giles Johnson, asked and obtained further time to make their report.

The Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment until Friday evening 6th Dec. 1844.

WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, G. S. P. T.

Friday Evening, Dec. 6, 1844.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

P. W. FANNING, G. S. W., in the Chair.
 THOMAS LORING, P. D. G. M.
 J. H. DRAKE, G. S. W. P. T.
 WILLIE W. JOHNSON, G. J. W. P. T.
 C. W. D. HUTCHINGS, G. T.
 WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, G. S., P. T.
 FRANCIS H. REEDER, G. S. D.
 A. S. MOORING, G. J. D. P. T.
 WILLIAM G. HILL, G. S. B.
 J. R. BEAMAN, G. M., P. T.
 THOMAS S. CLARK, G. P. P. T.
 RICHARD W. ASHTON, G. T.

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations made their report which was read and adopted :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Wardens, and Members of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

The Committee appointed on Charters and Dispensations, beg leave to report—that they have had laid before them a petition from Bro. James K. Hill, Master of Belmont Lodge, No. held in the County of Duplin,

praying that a Charter may be granted to their Lodge which is now working under dispensation.

Your Committee find that said Lodge has been working regular for the last twelve months and seems to be in a prosperous condition, having initiated thirteen, passed thirteen, and raised eleven during the past year.

Your Committee therefore recommend that a Charter be granted to Belmont Lodge, No held in the county of Duplin, and that James K. Hill be appointed Master of the same; Daniel B. Newton, Senior Warden, and Samuel R. Ireland, Junior Warden.

Your Committee further beg leave to report, that they have had no further business laid before them, nor do they know of any necessary for the action of this Committee, and prays that they may be discharged from the same.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. G. SPEIGHT,
ARTHUR S. MOORING,
C. B. ETHERIDGE,
Committee.

The Committee on Grand Lodges and Miscellaneous subjects submitted their report; adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master and Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Foreign Communications and Miscellaneous Subjects to whom were referred the Reports from the Grand Lodges of the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York, Maryland, Virginia, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Arkansas, Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana, the Territories of Iowa and Florida, and the Republic of Texas; the Communications from the Grand Lodges of Virginia, and Pennsylvania, on the subject of the publication of the "Trestle-Board," and the Circular from Comp. C. W. Moore, of Boston, on the same subject; the Communica-

tion from the Grand Lodge of Mississippi, on the "Representative System;" and the Correspondence between the Grand Lodges of New York and Michigan, in relation to the irregular revival of the Grand Lodge of the latter State, have had the same under their most attentive consideration, and beg leave to

REPORT :

That the examination of these interesting documents have given them the liveliest satisfaction, arising from the evidences they display of the prosperity of the Craft generally, and the increasing attachment of the Members of the fraternity to the holy and ennobling principles which it enjoins upon them. Wherever these principles are most strictly adhered to; wherever the obligations imposed on us by our venerable Order are most faithfully discharged, and its spirit exemplified and practically carried out in the lives of its professors; there do we find Masonry most flourishing, and the Institution most influential. And how can it be otherwise? It matters not how exalted may be the principles which it professes, or how holy the precepts it inculcates, if its Members do not illustrate and enforce them by their acts as well as by their professions. The world will always judge it by the deportment of its members; and if they be disorderly in their conduct, or dissolute in their habits, as soon would they believe that "an *evil* tree could produce *good* fruit," as that a *good* Institution would allow such unworthy persons to surround its altars and participate in its sacred rites. But when the Order *practically* and *tangibly* displays the good which it accomplishes; when its Members illustrate it by lives of virtuous usefulness; when *Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth* are *practised*, as well as professed; when universal benevolence prompts our actions, and disinterested philanthropy inspiring our hearts; when *Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence*, and

Justice, are the rules of our practice in all our intercourse with our fellow men, *then* do we furnish the most unanswerable argument of the purity of the principles of Masonry, and constrain even its revilers to acknowledge that such results cannot spring from an impure or unholy source.

Your Committee have seen with regret the rather tart and petulant correspondence between the Grand Lodge of New York, and a body styling itself the Grand Lodge of Michigan. From a careful examination of the papers laid before them, they discover that the Grand Lodge of Michigan, in consequence of the storm of Anti-Masonry, which swept over that State in 1829, suspended their labors "for the time being," as did every subordinate Lodge in the State but one, until 1840, when it was revived again. But its revival was effected in such a manner that it was not recognized as a Grand Lodge by the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, Illinois, Virginia, Alabama, Missouri, or indeed any Grand Lodge that they can learn but those of Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Your Committee concur in the opinion that the whole proceeding was irregular, and they are pleased to learn that that body has been convinced of its error, and before this time has probably taken the proper steps to repair it, and duly constitute herself a Grand Lodge.

The "Representative system" has met with the approval of nearly all the Grand Lodges which have taken any action in relation to that subject, and your Committee would recommend its adoption by your Body. It is attended by no expense, and by its instrumentality you will be kept advised of whatever of interest may occur in other Grand Lodges, and also keep up a fraternal correspondence between those Bodies, as well as an interchange of friendly offices and greetings.

By a communication addressed to your Body by the

Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Georgia, your Committee are informed that Bro. Philip T. Schley was unanimously recommended to be your Representative near the former Body. We cannot but be highly gratified at this honor conferred on this Body, by the appointment of so distinguished a Brother to represent this Body in the Grand Lodge of Georgia; and they cordially recommend him to be recognized as such; and that your Secretary be directed to furnish him a description of the jewels and regalia used by your Body. Your Committee also recommend that you reciprocate the honor conferred on you by the Grand Lodge of Georgia, by recommending Bro. Thomas Loring, as their Representative near this Body; and that the Secretary be directed to communicate the same to that Body.

The Grand Lodge of Mississippi, warmly approves of and recommends the suggestion of the appointment of a Delegate to visit the English Lodges, where Ancient York Masonry probably exists in greater purity than any other part of the globe. Your Committee deem it unnecessary to recite the numerous advantages likely to result from this mission, or the cogent reasons for instituting it. It has their hearty approval, and they know it has yours, as the matter was favorably acted on at the last Annual Communication of your Body. Bro. John Delafield, Jr. of Memphis, Tenn. is recommended by the Grand Lodge of Mississippi, as a suitable person to be appointed; and your Committee would take the liberty of recommending Comp. C. W. Moore, of Boston, for this appointment.

The appointment will be made, (if made at all) by the Convention which assembles in Virginia in May next; and though we prefer Bro. Moore, yet relying on the wisdom and judgement of the Convention, we will cheerfully acquiesce in its decision on this subject.

It appears from some of the papers laid before your

Committee, that the execution of the Text-book, ordered to be prepared by the Baltimore Convention, and which was prepared by Bros. Carnegy and Moore, the majority of the Committee appointed for that purpose, has been rejected by the Grand Lodge of Virginia and Pennsylvania, and denounced in highly indecorous terms by Bro. Dove, the President of that Convention. Your Committee deem it unnecessary to go into a discussion of the merits and demerits of this work—the “Trestle-Board.”—It is, like all other human productions, not *perfect*; yet, in the opinion of your Committee it is decidedly superior to any work known to them for the illustration and explanation of the first Three Degrees of Masonry. It has received the sanction and approval of your Body; and your Committee regret that Bro. Dove and the Grand Lodges of Virginia and Pennsylvania, did not await, before denouncing it in such acrimonious terms, the assembling of the Convention at Winchester, where its alleged errors and defects might have been pointed out and rectified.

Your Committee do not assume to have given an abstract of the interesting and valuable matter contained in the important papers laid before them. To have given even a brief synopsis of their contents would have occupied a greater time than their other engagements, or the limited period they have had for digesting and preparing their Report allowed. They regret this the more, because they would like much to see the information contained in those papers, disseminated generally among the fraternity, and that part of it, especially, which is under the jurisdiction of your Body. And they would further like that the suggestions thrown out in them might be thought over, scrutinized and digested, so that at your next annual communication, you might derive all the aid which reflection on these subjects might have called forth. Yet,

though they cannot condense into this hasty and imperfect Report, all the valuable information contained in those pages, they deem it of too much importance to be lost; and therefore recommend that all the Reports from sister Grand Lodges, received since your last annual communication, be bound and preserved for the use of your Body.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

THOMAS S. CLARK,
JOHN. H. DRAKE, JR.
P. W. FANNING,

Committee.

Raleigh, 6th Dec., A. L. 5844.

The Committee on Subordinate Lodges and Dues from the same, made the following Report—concurred in :

The Committee on Returns and Communications from Subordinate Lodges, beg leave to Report, that the following Lodges have made their Returns and paid their dues to this Annual Communication :

Saint John's Lodge, No. 1, Wilmington, 1844,	\$10
Concord Lodge, No. 58, Tarboro', 1844,	10
Saint John's Lodge, No. 96, Kinston, 1844,	10
Wake Forest, No. 97. Wake, 1844,	10
Morning Star, No. 85, Nashville, 1844,	10
Skewarkee, No. 90, Williamston, 1844,	10
Perquimons, No. 106, Hertford, 1844,	10
Hall Lodge, No. 53, Currituck, 1843-'4,	20
Perseverance, No. 59, Plymouth, 1844,	10
Widow's Son, No. 75, Camden, 1844,	10
Joseph Warren, No. 92, Stantonsburg, 1844,	10
Star in the East, No. 103, Elizabeth City, 1843-'4,	20
American George, No. 17, Murfresboro', 1838-'39-'40	
'41-'42-'43,	60
Hiram, No. 98, Clinton, 1844,	10
Belmont, (by Dispensation,) Duplin, 1844,	10

King Solomon's, No. 56, Northampton, 1841-'42-'43,	30
Hiram, No. 49, Raleigh, 1843,	10
Sharon, No. 78, Greenville, part of 1840, the whole of 1841-'42-'43-'44,	48
Phalanx, No. 31, Charlotte, 1844,	10
Eagle, No. 71, Hillsboro' 1844,	10
Fellowship, No. 84, Smithfield, 1844,	10
Unanimity, No. 54, Edenton, returns, but no dues paid.	
Phoenix Lodge, No. 8, Fayetteville, returns, but no dues paid.	
Clinton Lodge, No. 107, Yanceyville, returns made and dues for 1843 and 1844 paid,	20
Davie Lodge, No 39, Bertie, returns made, but no dues paid,	
Greensboro' Lodge, No. 76, Guilford, for 1843-'44,	20
Columbus Lodge, No. 192, Pittsborough, returns made only.	

\$378

The whole amount paid by the above Lodges is 378 dollars, leaving a large balance due from some 25 Lodges which were not represented. The Committee recommend that some suitable person be appointed agent for the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina, to take charge of the lot and such other property as formerly belonged to Jerusalem Lodge, in the County of Carteret, and sell it to the best advantage, and account to this Grand Lodge for the same.

The Committee farther recommend in regard to Widow's Son Lodge, No. 75, that it should become stationary at some named place, according to the Constitution of this Grand Lodge.

The Committee recommend, that the Grand Secretary furnish Perseverance Lodge, No. 59, Plymouth, with the copies of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge for the

years of 1812-'13-'16-'17-'18-'32 and '36, and also give the necessary information in regard to the resolutions referred to in the communication from that Lodge.

The Committee think that the Subordinate Lodges should remember that it is not in accordance with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge to appoint either of the Principal Grand Officers, delegates to the Grand Lodge, and that the Grand Secretary furnish each of the Subordinate Lodges with a copy of the laws of the Grand Lodge. And we would farther recommend, that three copies of the proceedings of the present Communication be transmitted by the Grand Secretary to each Subordinate Lodge working under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge.

The Committee recommend, that if any of the Subordinate Lodges shall make their returns and pay their dues, after the close of their Report, that the Grand Secretary will make all necessary corrections.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

LOUIS C. PENDER,
JOHN R. THOMAS,
G. H. CAIN,

Committee.

The Committee on the Charity School made a Report, which was adopted :

The Committee on Charity Schools, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Communication relative to the establishment of a Charity School, beg to

REPORT :

That in the absence of any communication, regarding his success, from the agent appointed by the Standing Committee on Schools; and for the want of such other information as would enable the Committee to recommend the adoption of any measure calculated to ensure the success of the benevolent object in view, they would respectful-

ly submit the following resolution, and ask to be discharged:

Resolved, That the School Committee heretofore appointed be continued, using their best exertions to obtain subscriptions and donations in behalf of the proposed Seminary of Learning, and report their proceedings to the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

P. W. FANNING,
THOMAS S. CLARKE,
T. LORING,

Committee.

Raleigh, 6th Dec., A. L. 5844.

The Committee on Accounts and Claims against the Grand Lodge, asked and obtained farther time to make their report.

The Committee appointed to wait on W. A. Harrison made their Report, which was accepted, as follows :

Raleigh, Dec. 6, 1844.

To the Worshipful Grand Master, and Members of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

The Committee appointed to wait on brother Harrison, to desire his attendance at this Grand Lodge, to explain certain matters relative to the discharge of his duties as Secretary of this Grand Lodge, referred to in the Report of the Committee on Grand Treasurer's Accounts, beg leave to Report, that they have performed that duty, and that Brother Harrison promised to attend on Monday evening next, being prevented by other engagements from sooner attending to the call of this Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

T. LORING,
WM. T. BAIN,
Committee.

On motion of Bro. Clarke, it was

Resolved, 'That the Grand Lodge proceed on to-mor-

row evening, 7th instant, to elect its officers for the ensuing year.

The Grand Lodge then called off until Saturday evening, 7th instant, at half past six o'clock.

WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, G. S. P. T.

Saturday Evening, Dec. 7, 1844.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

M. W. JOHN H. WHEELER, G. M.

THOMAS LORING, P. D. G. M.

P. W. FANNING, G. S. W.

WILLIE W. JOHNSON, G. J. W. P. T.

C. W. D. HUTCHINGS, G. T.

WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, G. S., P. T.

FRANCIS H. REEDER, G. S. D.

A. S. MOORING, G. J. D. P. T.

WILLIAM G. HILL, G. S. B.

WESLEY WHITAKER, G. M., P. T.

THOMAS S. CLARKE, G. P. P. T.

RICHARD W. ASHTON, G. T.

REPRESENTATIVES.

King Solomon's, Lodge, No. 56, Northampton—Bro. John B. Odom.

Hiram Lodge, No. 40, Raleigh—Bros. W. G. Hill and C. W. D. Hutchings.

Morning Star, No. 85, Nashville—Bro. John H. Drake.

Skewarkee, No. 90, Williamston—A. S. Mooring.

Saint John's Lodge, No. 96, Kinston. —Thos. S. Clarke.

Hiram, No. 98, Clinton—J. R. Beaman.

On motion of Bro. Thomas S. Clarke, it was

Resolved, That that clause of the Report of the Committee on Subordinate Lodges which relates to the Charity School be stricken out, in as much as it conflicts with the Report of the School Committee subsequently submitted and adopted.

On motion, Brother A. S. Mooring had leave of absence from and after this evening.

The Committee appointed at the last Communication of this Grand Lodge, for the purpose of raising funds for the establishment of a School for the Education of the orphans of deceased, and children of indigent Masons and others, submitted their Report, which was read and adopted :

To the Worshipful Grand Master and Members of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

The Committee appointed at the last Communication of this Grand Lodge, for the purpose of raising funds for the establishment of a School for the Education of the orphans of deceased, and children of indigent Masons, and others, beg leave to

REPORT :

Immediately after the adjournment of the Lodge, Bro. Langdon was appointed agent for obtaining subscriptions. We are sorry to learn, that he has made but little progress. Excepting a successful application to Hiram Lodge, No. 98, at Clinton, Sampson County, of the extent of which the Delegate from that Lodge will probably give information, nothing has been done by the Agent, owing to his sickness, and subsequently his duties as Bible Agent. A thousand copies of an Appeal to the Lodge and the community generally, were printed and circulated by the

Agent, with what farther result, time alone can determine.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

T. LORING,

THOS. J. LEMAY,

WESLEY HOLLISTER,

Committee.

Raleigh, Dec. 7, 1844.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master, Bro. John H. Wheeler, having declined a re-election, on motion of Bro. Thomas Loring, the Grand Lodge proceeded to the election of Officers for the ensuing year. Whereupon the following Brethren were duly elected :

BRO. P. W. FANNING, M. W. GRAND MASTER.

THOMAS S. CLARKE, GRAND SR. WARDEN.

A. S. MOORING, GRAND JUN. WARDEN.

C. W. D. HUTCHINGS, GRAND TREASURER.

WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, GRAND SECRETARY.

Brother Thomas S. Clarke, submitted the following Resolution which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, that the thanks of the Grand Lodge be tendered to the Grand Master, Bro. John H. Wheeler, and the other Grand Officers for the faithful discharge of their duties during their term of office.

On motion of Brother Thomas S. Clarke, it was

Resolved, That from and after this Communication, there shall, annually, be appointed a Committee, consisting of two members, whose duty it shall be to examine the Records of the Grand Lodge, and see that its proceedings have been faithfully recorded by the Grand Secretary. And

Resolved further, That the Grand Treasurer shall not be authorized to pay over to the Grand Secretary any appropriation which the Grand Lodge may have made, as compensation to him for discharging the duties of his

office, until he shall have produced the certificate of said committee, that said duties were duly and truly performed. Brothers Thomas Loring, and W. Hollister were appointed the Committee.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Resolution, submitted at the last Communication of this Grand Lodge, by the Committee, on Grand Treasurer's Accounts, relative to his receiving and receipting for all dues, &c. be, and the same is hereby rescinded.

The Grand Lodge then called off until Monday evening next, the 9th instant, at half after six o'clock.

WILLIAM T. BAIN, G. T., P. T.

Monday Evening, December 9, 1844.

'The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Bro. DAVID W. STONE, P. G. M., in the Chair.
 D. L. CRENSHAW, P. G. M.,
 THOMAS LORING, P. D. G. M.,
 P. W. FANNING, G. S. W.,
 WILLIE W. JOHNSON, G. J. W. P. T.,
 C. W. D. HUTCHINGS, G. T.
 WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, G. S.,
 FRANCIS H. REEDER, G. S. D.
 GEORGE H. CAIN, G. J. D.
 RICHARD W. ASHTON, G. T.

MEMBERS :

Brothers Thomas S. Clarke, Beaman and Speight.

VISITORS :

Brothers Whitaker, Pescud and Pratt.

The Committee on Accounts and Claims against the Grand Lodge, submitted the following Report, which was adopted :

The Committee to whom was referred Accounts and Claims against the Grand Lodge,

REPORT

That they have had the same under consideration, and the following are all the accounts or claims which have been submitted to them, viz :

Thomas Loring's account for printing,	\$124 12
Russell & Eskridge " for oil cloth,	1 30
Turner & Hughes " for repairing Masonic Chart,	1 00
O. L. Cleveland, for large frame for Charter,	6 00

Amounting in all to \$132 42

which they believe to be just and correct, and they recommend that they be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID W. STONE,
C. W. D. HUTCHINGS.

December 10th, 1844.

Brother Thomas Loring submitted the following Resolutions, which were adopted unanimously :

Resolved, That Bro. David W. Stone, be appointed to ascertain the amount due the Grand Lodge from the late Grand Secretary, and to collect the same in his professional capacity, if necessary, and that Bro. Stone also take steps to obtain the Record Book of the Grand Lodge from the said Secretary, if it cannot be otherwise obtained.

Resolved, That the salary appropriated to the late Grand Secretary for the present year, be paid to the present Grand Secretary, so soon as the Records of the Lodge are written up, as a compensation therefor, and should this be insufficient, the present Grand Secretary will pre-

sent the additional claim at the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge, on motion of Brothor Thomas Loring, proceeded to the installation of the Officers elect, when the following Brethren were duly installed, by Bro. D. W. Stone, Past Grand Master :

Bro. P. W. FANNING, Grand Master.

THOS. S. CLARKE, Gr. Sr. Warden.

Bro. WILLIE W. JOHNSON, installed as proxy for
A. S. MOORING, Gr. Sr. Warden.

C. W. D. HUTCHINGS, Gr. Treas.

WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, Gr. Secretary.

The M. W. Grand Master then made the following appointments for the ensuing year :

Bro. D. W. STONE, of Raleigh, Dep. Grand Master.

GRAND CHAPLAINS.

Rev. Bros. W. M. GREEN, of Chapel Hill.

T. J. LEMAY, Raleigh.

A. PAUL REPITON, Wilmington.

JACOB FREIZE, New Hanover.

GRAND LECTURERS.

1st. District, Bro. R. C. BORLAND, of Hertford.

2d. " " JNO. S. HAWKS, Washington.

3d. " " J. H. DRAKE, Nash.

4th. " " H. K. NASH, Orange.

5th. " " ISAAC NORTHROP, Wilmington.

6th. " " I. W. Osborne, Charlotte.

7th. " " W. W. JOHNSON, Raleigh.

Bro. F. H. REEDER, of Raleigh, Gr. Sen. Deacon.

GEO. H. CAIN, of Raleigh, Gr. Jun. Deacon.

J. R. BEAMAN, of Sampson, Gr. Sword Bearer.

EDWIN G. SPEIGHT, Stantonsburg Gr. Marshall.

WESLEY HOLLISTER, of Raleigh, G. P.

RICHARD W. ASHTON, Grand Tyler.

Bro. David W. Stone presented to the Grand Lodge, a

letter from Bro. James V. Reed, of Hertford, Perquimons County, North Carolina, complaining of ill-treatment by the Lodge at Hertford. As no other information was before the Grand Lodge, and this application was rather too indefinite to authorize any action now on the part of the Grand Lodge:

It was, on motion, laid over to the next Annual Communication, when brother Reed can, if he desires it, bring the matter more fully before the Grand Lodge, if the difficulties should not have been amicably adjusted before that time.

On motion, the following Resolution, laid over from last Annual Communication, was taken up and adopted:

Resolved, That the M. W. Grand Master be requested to appoint a General Grand Lecturer, suitably qualified for the station, whose duty it shall be to attend the Grand Lodge when in session—to perfect himself in the Lectures as recommended by the National Convention—to co-operate with the other Grand Lecturers, and to visit any Subordinate Lodge requiring his service, provided such Lodge afford him reasonable compensation.

The Grand Lodge then called off until Tuesday evening 10th December, 1844.

WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, G. S. P. T.

Tuesday Evening, Dec. 10, 1844.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Bro. P. W. FANNING, Grand Master.

DAVID W. STONE, P. G. M.

THOMAS S. CLARKE, G. S. W.

WILLIE W. JOHNSON, G. J. W. P. T.

C. W. D. HUTCHINGS, G. T.

WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, G. S.

FRANCIS H. REEDER, G. S. D.

THOMAS LORING, G. J. D., P. T.

HELLEN, Grand Marshall.

CHURCHILL PERKINS, G. P.

G. S. B.

RICHARD W. ASHTON, G. T.

REPRESENTATIVES.

Sharon Lodge, No. 78, Greenville—Bro. C. Perkins.

St. John's Lodge, No. 1, Wilmington—D. W. Stone.

Hiram Lodge, No. 40, Raleigh—C. W. D. Hutchings.

Perseverance, No. 59, Plymouth—D. W. Stone.

Widow's Son, No. 75, Camden—D. W. Stone.

Saint John's Lodge, No. 96, Kinston—Thos. S. Clarke.

Brother David W. Stone moved that so much of the report of the Committee on Subordinate Lodges as conflicts with a Resolution laid over at the last Grand Lodge relative to the appointment of a Grand Lecturer, be stricken out. Said motion was adopted.

Brother David W. Stone submitted the following Preamble and Resolution, which were adopted :

Whereas, William A. Harrison, the late Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, in pertinaciously refusing to obey the summons of the Grand Lodge, to appear before them and answer for his delinquencies, in receiving moneys due and belonging to the Grand Lodge, by virtue of his office of Grand Secretary,

and neglecting to pay the same over to the Grand Treasurer, as he is bound in good faith and common honesty to do, and when called on to settle neglecting and refusing so to do, but retaining the moneys so received, and converting the same improperly to his own private use and advantage, has acted in utter derogation of, and wholly unbecoming the character of a Mason.

Be it therefore resolved, That the said William A. Harrison be, and he is hereby required to be and appear before the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, to shew cause why he shall not be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, and that the Grand Secretary furnish him with a written copy of this Preamble and Resolution, which shall be notice to him to attend at that time.

The following Preamble and Resolution were presented by Bro. Thomas S. Clarke, and adopted :

Whereas, by a dereliction of duty on the part of our late Grand Secretary, the printed Minutes of the proceedings of the last Grand Communication, were so loosely made up, as in many instances to be hardly intelligible, and in others, not reflecting the true action of the Grand Lodge :

Therefore be it resolved, That the several Resolutions contained in the printed Minutes of the Annual Communication of 1843, upon which there would seem to have been no definite action, viz: the *first*, *second* and *third*, on page 49, the *first* and *fourth*, page 59, be considered as having been adopted.

The following accounts were presented, after the adjournment of the Grand Lodge, and ordered to be paid by the Grand Master :

Account in favor of G. W. & C. Grimme, for	\$11 85
“ “ Turner & Hughes,	1 50
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	\$13 35

Past Grand Master, Bro. John H. Wheeler stated, that as directed by a Resolution of the last Grand Lodge, he had procured nine Trestle Boards, which he had deposited with the Grand Secretary.

The following Subordinate Lodges made their returns and paid their dues, after the adjournment of the Grand Lodge :

Phalanx Lodge, No. 31, Charlotte—Bro. William Davidson.

Eagle Lodge, No. 71, Hillsboro'—William Nelson.

Fellowship, No. 84, Smithfield—Bros. W. H. Moring, Duncan McPherson, and Julius A. Stevens.

Unanimity, No. 54, Edenton—Bro. Jas. Ireland and Edmund B. Freeman. No dues paid.

Phoenix Lodge, No. 8, Fayetteville—Bro. T. N. Cameron. No dues paid.

Clinton Lodge, No. 107, Yanceyville—Returns made and dues paid, but no representation.

Davie Lodge, No. 39, Bertie—W. W. Cherry. Returns made but no dues paid.

Greensboro' Lodge, No. 76, Guilford—Bro. A. C. Lindsay.

Columbus Lodge, No. 102, Pittsboro'—Returns made.

The Committee to whom was referred the expulsion of Giles Johnson, have had the same under consideration, and recommend that his case be referred back to Morning Star Lodge, No. 85, Nashville, from which he was expelled, and beg to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

All the business being finished, the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet again on the first Monday in December, 1845, being the first day of the month.

WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, G. S.

RETURNS.

State of the Lodges working under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, which have made Returns at the present Communication :

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, NO. 1, WILMINGTON.

OFFICERS.

S. D. Wallace,	Master.
Jno. S. James,	S. Warden.
R. G. Rankin,	J. Warden.
W. A. Burr,	Secretary.
B. Baxter,	Treasurer.
A. Martin,	S. Deacon.
E. V. Kelly,	J. Deacon.
J. T. Morris,	Tyler.
S. E. Langdon,	

MEMBERS :

Isaac Northrop,	Owen Holmes,
E. Dickinson,	W. A. Walker,
A. J. Mott,	Isaac B. Smith,
John Smith,	Benj. G. Bates,
Owen Fennell,	James T. Miller,
John Walker,	J. M. Foy,
Jno. T. Russ,	A. J. King,
Thos. Marshall,	A. P. Repiton,
John D. Powers,	S. N. Cameron,
Thos. W. Brown,	Robt. B. Wood,
Jno. McAuslin,	T. F. Peck,
S. A. Laspeyre,	W. D. Smith,
Jarvis Marble,	Sol. Teller,
J. H. Millmore,	J. L. Corbett,
Miles Costin,	Charles Henry.

Thos. D. Meares,	John H. Ennett,
Thos. H. Howry,	M. D. Mott,
John Maxwell,	John A. Taylor,
Wm. Robitzeh,	J. D. Moore,
H. T. Costin,	J. A. Thomas,
Robt. Maxwell,	G. S. Gillespie,
Thos. Cowan,	T. Burr, Jr.
P. W. Fanning,	

Admitted 9, Initiated 7, Passed 6, Raised 6, Withdrawn 4.

PHENIX LODGE, NO. 8, FAYETTEVILLE.

OFFICERS.

T. L. Hybart,	W. Master.
H. McLean,	S. Warden.
J. Arey,	J. Warden.
J. S. Raboteau,	S. Deacon.
J. H. Toomer,	J. Deacon.
W. Warden,	Treasurer.
A. M. Campbell,	Secretary.
J. B. Walton,	Tyler.

MEMBERS.

H. Erambert,	John A. McLauchlin,
John McRea,	Alex. Murchison,
Daniel Baker,	A. S. McNeill,
P. Dailey,	W. Draughon,
J. R. Martin,	M. V. Jones,
E. L. Winslow,	W. J. Anderson,
Wm. Mitchell,	John A. Rowland,
Wm. Hatchell,	Jacob Lundheimer.

Initiated 1.

AMERICAN GEORGE, NO. 17, MURFREESBOROUGH.

OFFICERS.

L. M. Cowper,	Master.
Sam'l. Polkinham,	S. Warden.
Alfred W. Moore,	J. Warden.
Jos. G. Cowper,	Secretary.
Andrew Vinson,	Treasurer.
R. C. Borland,	S. Deacon.
Alex. Brett,	J. Deacon.
James J. Banks,	Tyler.

MEMBERS.

Samuel Moore,	Pleasant Jordan,
A. W. Moore,	James L. Grimes,
Albert Moore,	George Spiers,
Britton Moore,	Benj. Beal,
A. W. Darden,	Wm. Broone,
Samuel A. Darden,	K. Rayner,
Jethro W. Darden,	John Williams,
Charles Vann,	Jos. F. Liles.
James Maget,	
Died 1.	

PHALANX LODGE, NO. 31, CHARLOTTE.

OFFICERS.

Thomas Trotter,	W. Master.
Joshua Trotter,	S. Warden.
Charles E. Moss,	J. Warden.
John R. Bolton,	Treasurer.
Alex. Graham,	Secretary.
Wm. H. Speck,	S. Deacon.
Alex. Bethune,	J. Deacon.
Charles Overman,	Steward.
Alex. Springs,	Tyler, P. T.

MEMBERS.

Thomas Trotter,	Rev. M. A. McKibbon,
John H. Wheeler,	Robert Stewart,
F. M. Ross,	Wm. B. Withers,
Samuel Taylor,	Robert Knox,
Henry C. Owens,	Rev. Wm. Crook,
Wm. W. Elms,	D. Hearne,
Wm. Hunter,	John D. Simeral,
Nat. W. Alexander,	F. R. Hughes,
Wm. Davidson,	C. C. Mason,
Alex. Springs,	John H. Grier,
Joshua Trotter,	John M. Potts,
Charles Overman,	Daniel Coleman,
Moses W. Alexander.	R. S. Young,
Alex. Bethune,	Robert A. Ross,
Wm. Knox,	William H. Speck,
John Knox,	James H. Harris,
Adam Seyler,	Joseph W. Hampton,
Robert Shaw,	Henry N. Knox,
Charles E. Moss,	James Smith,
John R. Bolton,	Samuel N. Weddington,
James W. Osborne,	Daniel Asberry,
Robt. H. Braley,	Daniel M. Walker,
Robt. F. Davidson,	Thomas Harris,
John K. Harrison,	Wm. F. Strange, Hon.
Alex. Graham,	J. M. Happoldt.

Initiated 6, Passed 6, Raised 4, Withdrawn 4, Died 1.

DAVIE LODGE, NO. 39, BERTIE.

OFFICERS.

Moore Rawles,	W. Master.
George J. Shoulars,	S. Warden.

Levin Spivey,	J. Warden.
William Hodges,	Treasurer.
William A. Worley,	Secretary.
Elisha Bryant,	S. Deacon.
John H. Powell,	J. Deacon.
James Rutland,	Steward and Tyler.

MEMBERS.

Jordan J. Horton,	Jesse Brewer,
Calvin C. Tyler,	Starke B. Smith,
Henry Harrell, Sr.	Dr. Lewis M. Jiggetts,
Dr. G. C. Moore,	Elijah Futrel,
Abner J. Perry,	Aquila Hyman,
Abner Andrews,	Samuel W. Simmons,
William H. Tarpley,	Benton K. Moore, F. C.
John P. Harrell,	
Died 1.	

HIRAM LODGE, NO. 40, RALEIGH.

OFFICERS.

Henry W. Miller,	Master.
C. W. D. Hutchings,	S. Warden.
William G. Hill,	J. Warden.
William Thos. Bain,	Secretary.
C. Grimme,	Treasurer.
Joseph Waltering,	S. Deacon.
Wesley Whitaker,	J. Deacon.
Richard W. Ashton,	Tyler.

MEMBERS:

William J. Lougee,	John Murphy,
William L. Fowler,	William H. Hood,
Joseph T. Hunter,	Geo. W. Scarborough,
Benjamin F. Jordan,	James Edwards,

Wesley Hollister,	Willie W. Johnston,
Thomas R. Fentress,	Daniel Murray,
Thompson White,	Daniel B. Griffin,
Silas Burns,	George H. Cain.
William N. Shauck,	

HALL LODGE, NO. 53, INDIAN TOWN.

OFFICERS.

G. C. Marchant,	W. Master.
Alfred Perkins,	S. Warden.
John Humphries,	J. Warden.
Isaac N. Baxter,	Treasurer.
Edm'd. L. Dozier,	Secretary.
Wm. McBride,	S. Deacon.
Israel Fanshaw,	J. Deacon.
John H. Mitchell,	Tyler.
G. C. Marchant,	Steward.

MEMBERS.

G. C. Marchant,	Jabez Jennet,
Alfred Perkins,	Sam'l. W. Ferebee,
Israel Fanshaw,	Jno. Cox,
John Humphries,	Hollo. Williams,
Davis B. Moore,	Jonn N. Wilson,
Edmund L. Dozier,	John Fanshaw,
Sam'l. Ferebee,	Grandy Barnard,
Caleb Etheridge,	Solomon Ashber,
Caleb J. Etheridge,	Wm. McBride,
Thos. Bell,	Isaac N. Baxter,
Jno. B. Lindsay,	Joshua Baxter,
Arthur Gregory,	Ambrose Dozier,
Wm. F. Baxter,	John H. Mitchell.
Jno. Forbes,	

Initiated 1, Passed 1, Raised 1, Withdrawn 1, Rejected 1.

UNANIMITY LODGE, NO. 54, EDENTON.

OFFICERS.

Samuel T. Sawyer,	Worshipful Past Master.
Wm. D. Rascoe,	Worshipful Past Master.
John Thompson,	W. Master.
Alex. Cheshire,	S. Warden.
Burton W. Hathaway,	J. Warden.
Thomas W. Hudgins,	Treasurer.
Thomas G. Haughton,	Secretary.
W. P. M., T. V. Hathaway,	S. Deacon and Chaplain.
Daniel V. Etheridge,	J. Deacon.
Benj. A. Hines,	Tyler.

MEMBERS.

Nat'l. Bond,	Benj. Bateman,
Duncan McDonald,	William Deans,
Richard S. Halsey,	John Bush,
Thomas M. Carter,	William R. Skinner,
Chas. W. Mixson,	James L. Roberts,
James Stewart,	Robert R. Felton,
William McNider,	Henry A. Gilliam,
Alex. Spence,	James R. Lemitt,
Thos. Cochrain,	Bartiemus Nixon,
Thos. Cochrain, Jr.	William Matthias,
S. R. Oliveira,	Casper W. Norcom.
Justin Martindale,	

Admitted 1, Initiated 4, Passed 3, Raised 2, Rejected 2,
Died 1.

KING SOLOMON'S LODGE, NO 56, JACKSON.

OFFICERS.

John B. Odom,	Master.
James S. Flythe,	S. Warden.
William B. Turner,	J. Warden.

Nathan J. Crocker,	Treasurer.
Hezekiah Lassiter,	Secretary.
Samuel Calvert,	S. Deacon.
Madison Dupree,	J. Deacon.
William N. Green,	Tyler.

MEMBERS.

Samuel B. Spruill,	Benoni Park,
William S. Bilbro,	John T. Wheeler,
George R. Pierce,	Henry T. Deloatch,
Wilson Earley,	Thomas Hughes,
John J. Rea,	Ballard Moore,
John L. Andrews,	Hillery Davis,
Peter Norwood,	Benj. D. Harriss,
George R. Jordan,	Robert Burns,
Britton P. Sikes,	Jesse Flythe,
William Barrow,	Eldridge A. Madderra,
James Martin,	James R. Barkley,
James W. Newsom,	Richard W. Taylor.
Thomas L. Carter,	

Initiated 3, Passed 3, Raised 3, Died 2.

CONCORD LODGE, NO. 58, TARBORO.'

OFFICERS.

Lewis Bond,	W. Master.
Louis C. Pender,	S. Warden.
Arthur K. Barlow,	J. Warden.
Solomon Pender,	Treasurer.
Lorenzo D. Bell,	Secretary.
R. H. Pender,	S. Deacon.
Chas. Mabry,	J. Deacon.
	Steward.
William Pender,	Tyler.

MEMBERS.

Benjamin Batts,	Jesse M. Harsey,
Josiah L. Horne,	Simmons B. Staton,
Wm. D. Mercer,	Wm. S. Baker,
Wm. Norfleet,	James George,
Waldon S. Hunter,	Timothy W. Ward,
Kenneth Thigpin,	Wm. D. Thorn,
John Knight, Jr	Wm. H. Hines,
Henry Faxhall,	Henry King,
John Knight, Sr.	David G. Baker,
Fred. D. Little,	James Mahagan,
William Biggs,	Wm. Harsell,
Noah Leggitt,	Richard D. Addington,
Britton Harrell	Eli Parker,
Robt. H. Pender,	Jo. S. Pender,
Ira G. Ellis,	Jas. Pender, Sr.
Jos. J. B. Pender,	Wm. D. Petway,
Wm. A. Pope,	Phesanton S. Sugg,
Elisha Cromwell,	Benj. M. Jackson,
Daniel Parish,	John P. Stewart,
Solomon Pender, Jr.	Samuel Hyman.
Admitted 2, Initiated 7, Passed 7, Raised 5, With- drawn 2.	

PERSEVERANCE LODGE, NO. 59, PLYMOUTH.

OFFICERS.

Thomas E. Pender,	W. Master.
Franklin F. Fagan,	S. Warden.
Elijah H. Willis,	J. Warden.
Lemuel Douglass,	Treasurer.
Joseph Ramsey,	Secretary.
Willoughby Ballance,	S. Deacon.

Thomas P. Ricaud,	J. Deacon.
John McC. Boyle,	S. Steward.
Thomas S. Chase,	J. Steward.
Joseph B. Griffin,	J. Guard.
Isaac Kelly,	Tyler.

MEMBERS.

Thomas E. Pender,	Joseph B. Griffin,
Joseph Ramsey,	Isaac Kelly,
John McC. Boyle,	Samuel T. Gaylard,
Franklin F. Fagan,	Hardy Harrison,
Elijah H. Willis,	Daniel Wicks,
Lemuel Douglass,	James Weighman,
Willoughby Ballance,	James Best,
Thomas P. Ricaud,	William E. Freeman,
Thomas S. Chase,	Leonard Harrison.
Initiated 2, Passed 2, Raised 2, Withdrawn 2, Died 1.	

EAGLE LODGE, NO. 71, HILLSBORO'.

OFFICERS.

Pride Jones,	W. Master.
Charles S. Warren,	S. Warden.
James M. Palmer,	J. Warden.
Allen Parks,	Treasurer.
Daniel D. Phillips,	Secretary.
Charles L. Cooley,	S. Deacon.
Richard H. Lee,	J. Deacon.
John Dooley,	} Stewards.
Henry R. Boshamer.	
Robert F. Pleasants,	Tyler.

MEMBERS.

John Berry,	Dennes Heartt,
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William Horton,	Leo E. Heartt,
Solomon Allen,	Frederick K. Nash,
Ben. C. Cook,	Wagstaff Mainard,
John Jones,	James Turner,
William C. Christmas,	John B. McMullen,
Samuel B. Holden,	John P. Richardson,
Thomas Clancey,	Jesse K. Cole,
John Cameron,	Stephen Moore,
Joseph Holt,	George Piper,
John J. Freeland,	Sam'l. Piper,
Edward G. Read,	William Piper,
Arch'd. Borland,	Samuel E. Bracken,
James S. Smith,	Calven H. Wiley,
James S. Leathers,	Willam M. Green,
William Nelson,	Moses Leathers,
Henry K. Nash,	John T. Dodson,
Eli Watson,	Andrew C. Murdock,
Robert Lassiter,	Henry Y. Webb,
Edward A. Heartt,	James S. Watson,
William T. Shields,	John Culbreth,
Burhus Cheek,	George Laws.
Leroy D. Johnston,	

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Pride Jones,	W. Master.
Charles S. Warren,	S. Warden.
James M. Palmer,	J. Warden.
Allen Parks,	Treasurer.
D. D. Phillips,	Secretary.
James Parks,	S. Deacon.
Henry R. Boshammer,	J. Deacon.
Robert F. Pleasants,	Tyler.
Charles L. Cooley,	S. Steward.
Henry Richeard,	J. Steward.

Admitted 2, Initiated 3, Passed 3, Raised 3, Died 1.

WIDOW'S SON LODGE, NO. 75, CAMDEN.

OFFICERS.

G. L. Lamb,	W. Master.
D. B. Morrissett,	S. Warden.
W. Forbes, Jr.	J. Warden.
S. W. Sawyer,	Treasurer.
W. P. Forbes,	Secretary.
W. G. Wilson,	S. Deacon.
J. S. Gregory,	J. Deacon.
W. Wright,	Tyler.
Peter Seymour,	Steward.

MEMBERS.

Peter Seymour,	Dempsey Cox,
James M. Gregory,	W. H. Deford,
Major P. Gregory,	Nathaniel Perkins,
Samuel Aydlott,	Walter R. Forbes,
Wm. M. Lamb,	Wilson Harrison,
James L. Dozier,	Samuel Tillett.
Admitted 1, Passed 2, Raised 3, Withdrawn 6, Died 2.	

GREENSBOROUGH LODGE, NO. 76, GUILFORD.

OFFICERS.

William Gott,	Master.
John M. Logan,	S. Warden.
Joab Hiatt,	J. Warder.
Samuel Rainey,	S. Deacon.
Robert Mitchell,	J. Deacon.
James Dossey,	Treasurer.
L. Swaim,	Secretary.
H. J. Warren,	Tyler.

MEMBERS.

Benjamin Overman,	William H. Cumming,
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David Scott,	Haley Brown,
Giles H. Bowers,	Dempsey Brown,
William Sturgess,	Albert G. Coffin,
James Humphreys,	Obed Gardner,
Green D. Jordan,	Isaac H. Foust,
Marcellus Jordan,	Henry T. Weatherly,
Joshua G. Wright,	John Hiatt,
Philip Bevill,	H. Montgomery Sehorn,
Jed. H. Lindsay,	Finley W. Gorrell,
Simeon C. Geren,	O. Smallwood,
Peter Adams,	N. G. Brannock,
Benj. C. Oppelt,	David McKnight,
Thomas Carboy,	John O'Neill,
H. B. Stratford,	Benj. M. Williams,
Jonathan Church,	James Clark,
M. R. Moore,	John S. Dare,
P. C. Peeples,	William G. Beard,
Shubal G. Coffin,	Alpheus C. Lindsay,
James N. Millis,	John R. Garland,
C. N. B. Evans,	James M. Leach,
Matthew Hedgecock,	Robert Caffey,
Irvin D. Heath,	Hamilton Armfield,
John D. Evans,	Robert J. Lapp,
Boaz Adams,	Vestal Coffin,
C. W. Peeples,	FELLOW CRAFTS:
J. B. Kingsbury,	Jonathan W. Howlet,
Nathan Caulk,	Jacob B. Balsley.

Initiated 6, Passed 8, Admitted from other Lodges 6,
Died 2.

SHARON LODGE, NO. 78, GREENVILLE.

OFFICERS.

R. G. Albritton, W. Master.

W. J. Blow,	S. Warden.
Norfleet Tyer,	J. Warden.
H. R. Congleton,	S. Deacon.
J. T. Quartermus,	J. Deacon.
Benj. Brown,	Treasurer.
Jesse Harris,	Tyler.
John Brown,	Secretary.

MEMBERS.

Goold Hoyt,	Benj. Harris,
B. M. Selby,	James Gerallney,
James Nelson,	Charles Greene,
H. P. Bryan,	M. Dickinson,
G. W. Andrews,	Peter Reevis,
J. H. Burney,	Wm. A. Perkins,
Wm. Burney,	J. L. Brown,
B. F. Hazleton,	E. A. Ellis,
Willie Brown,	Riley Stokes,
W. M. Brown,	John Jenkins,
James Braddy,	Gray Andrews.

FELLOWSHIP LODGE, NO. 84, SMITHFIELD.

OFFICERS.

William H. Morning,	Master.
Blackman Lee,	S. Warden.
Julius A. Stevens,	J. Warden.
Nathan Williams,	Treasurer.
William R. Lee,	Secretary.
Joel Joyner, Jr.	S. Deacon.
Jesse Hinnant,	J. Deacon.
Duncan McPherson,	Steward and Tyler.

MEMBERS.

John F. Sanders,	William P. Ketchand,
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Alexander J. Lee,	Thomas B. Wetmore,
William Hollowell,	Henderson A. Hodge,
John J. Hooks,	Ransom Lee, Sr.
William R. Hooks,	Ransom Lee, Jr.
David B. Adams,	James H. Lee,
Joseph J. Adams,	Gray W. Thomas.

Initiated 3, Passed 2, Raised 2, Died 1.

MORNING STAR LODGE, NO. 85, NASHVILLE.

OFFICERS.

Jesse H. Drake,	W. Master.
Joseph A. Drake,	S. Warden.
Asael Vick,	J. Warden.
B. H. Blount,	Treasurer.
Theophilus Scott,	Secretary.
S. W. W. Vick,	S. Deacon.
John H. Harrison,	J. Deacon.
J. J. Q. Taylor, and } W. Parker, }	Stewards.
Willis Warren,	Tyler.

MEMBERS.

James N. Mann,	John C. Drake,
John H. Drake, Sr.	Richard H. Dozier,
William Bowers,	Benjamin Screws,
Garrett Williams,	Willis Warren,
John H. Drake, Jr.	Duncan Floyd,
Samuel W. W. Vick,	Abisha Vester,
John Powell,	Eli Manning,
Turner P. Westray,	Allen T. Meachum,
Isaac Sessums,	Bennett Taylor,
P. A. R. Hammonds,	James Ricks,
Michael Collins,	Joel Wells,
Joseph Arrington, Dr.	John J. Bunn,

Peyton R. Tunstall,	George R. Bell,
Joseph Winstead,	Burrel Moore,
Henry Dixon,	Samuel G. Whiless,
Willie Brownrigg,	John E. Lindsey,
Branton Fields,	Richmond Upchurch,
Henry Sorsby,	William H. Smith,
B. H. Blount,	Nathan Vister,
Bolen Melton,	Wilis Barbee,
Crawford Arrington,	Joseph Barbee,
John G. Williams,	William B. Boddie,
Thomas G. Stone,	William F. Batley,
William H. Batchelor,	Thomas P. Weeks,
Redmun Thorn,	Henderson Leigh,
William F. Sikes,	Burtis Strickland,
John A. Barnes,	John H. Bezzell,
Benjamin Bilbro,	James O. Thrift,
Dennis Taylor,	Calvin J. Parker,
W. W. Bryant,	Alsey J. Taylor,
James W. Barnes,	William W. Parker,
William Walker,	John H. Harrison,
James Sullivan,	Thomas J. A. Cooper,
Robert C. Hilliard,	Benjamin D. Mann,
Joel Rosser,	Howell Braswell,
Arthur Freeman,	Theophilus Scott,
N. J. Pitman,	John W. Bryant,
Ellen Micom,	O. K. Norton,
James W. Lancaster,	

Initiated 9, Passed 5, Raised 6, Withdrawn 1, Died 2.

SKEWARKEY LODGE, NO. 90, WILLIAMSTON.

OFFICERS.

A. S. Mooring,	Master.
Jesse Martin,	S. Warden.

Thomas R. Coffield,	J. Warden.
Bryant Bennett,	Treasurer.
Lawrence Cherry,	Secretary.
Lorton Cooper,	S. Deacon.
William Duggan,	J. Deacon.
A. H. Coffield, }	Stewards.
Jos. Waldo, }	
Levi Pippin,	Tyler.

MEMBERS.

Kader Biggs,	A. S. Mooring,
Bryant Bennett,	Levi Pippin,
Thomas R. Coffield,	Wm. F. G. Pierce,
Lawrence Cherry,	William Slade,
A. H. Coffield,	Joseph Waldo,
William Duggan,	Samuel C. Whitley,
N. B. Mariner,	Levi S. Yates,
James Mizell,	John Curtis,
Jesse Martin,	Joseph G. Caraway,
Admitted 1, Initiated 1, Passed 1, Raised 1, With- drawn 2.	

JOSEPH WARREN LODGE, NO. 92, STANTONSBURG.

OFFICERS.

Joshua Wilkinson,	W. Master.
John Rowe,	S. Warden.
Wm. S. Duggin,	J. Warden.
John Wilkinson,	Treasurer.
Jno. G. Williams,	Secretary.
James Barnes,	S. Deacon.
Hardy F. Barnes,	J. Deacon.
Jacob H. Barnes, }	Stewards.
David W. Barnes, }	
David Jordan,	Tyler.

MEMBERS.

Robert Simms,	J. H. Barnes,
J. T. Eason,	John Pitt,
H. F. Barnes,	Jacob Daniel,
Jno. Wilkins,	J. Cobb,
Benj. White,	Samuel Barnes,
L. J. Dorch,	E. G. Speight,
R. S. Pettaway,	Theophilus Eason,
Jno. Coalman,	Thomas Wilkins,
W. J. Armstrong,	David W. Barnes,
A. C. Wilkinson,	P. H. Hough,
Wm. Barnes,	J. Stallings,
A. E. Gill,	D. P. Stallington,
John W. Farmer,	Jno. Pool.

Initiated 1, Passed 1, Raised 1, Withdrawn 5, Died 2,
Rejected 1.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, NO. 96, KINSTON.

OFFICERS.

William B. West,	Master.
Royall R. Canfield,	S. Warden.
John Jackson,	J. Warden.
Alexander Wilson,	Treasurer.
Thomas Woodley,	Secretary.
Thomas S. Clark,	S. Deacon.
Frederick J. Coxe,	J. Deacon.
Solomon H. Walker,	Tyler.

MEMBERS.

William B. West,	Jacob A. Hartsfield,
Royall R. Canfield,	Needham Loftin, Jr.
John Jackson,	John B. Clark,
Alexander Wilson,	Amos Hervey,

Thomas Woodley,	Matthew Byrd,
Frederick J. Coxe,	Thomas Warters, Jr.
Solomon H. Walker,	Henry H. Phillips,
James E. Metts,	Leonidas L. Coleman,
Warren Kilpatrick,	Joshua Herring,
Benj. C. Williams,	Lewis W. Herring,
John L. Taylor,	James McClenney,
Pinckney Hardee,	James A. Mason,
Frederick West,	Thomas S. Clark,
Richard Kennedy,	Joseph Herring,
John Davis, Jr.	

Admitted 1, Initiated 12, Passed 9, Raised 9, Withdrawn
3, Expelled 1.

WAKE FOREST LODGE, NO. 90, WAKE.

OFFICERS.

Robert Harris,	W. Master.
Peterson Dunn,	S. Warden.
Berry D. Simms,	J. Warden.
Reddick Hunter,	Treasurer.
William R. Thomas,	Secretary.
James G. Jeffreys,	S. Deacon.
Boling Dunn,	J. Deacon.
Jeremiah Dunn,	Tyler.
James G. Jeffreys, {	Stewards.
Henry A. King, }	

MEMBERS.

Michael Thompson,	Wm. T. Brooks,
Daniel S. Crenshaw,	Robert N. Jeffreys,
Henry A. King,	John R. Cooper,
Thomas J. Terrell,	Thomas Hicks,
James M. Terrell,	Willis Thompson,

James Redford,	William Johnson,
John M. Flemming,	Wm. Jeffreys,
Joseph B. Donohoe,	Wm. Jones,
Thomas J. Lemay,	Doctor Cole.

Admitted 1, Initiated 1, Raised 1, Withdrawn 1.

HIRAM LODGE, NO. 98, CLINTON.

OFFICERS.

A. B. Chesnutt,	W. Master.
James M. Moseley,	S. Warden.
J. R. Beaman,	J. Warden.
O. M. Chesnutt,	Secretary.
Isaiah Thomson,	Treasurer.
Everitt Peterson,	S. Deacon.
F. C. Cooper,	J. Deacon.
John Robinson,	Steward.
Wm. H. Stetson,	Tyler.

MEMBERS :

P. R. Parker,	Hardy Herring,
Wm. C. Butler,	S. E. Johnson,
J. C. Devane,	E. Spearman,
N. Fennell,	O. Williamson,
John Bass,	Jas. Armstrong,
H. Hollingsworth,	H. Robinson,
O. H. Johnson,	Wm. H. Smith,
James A. Moore,	Ivy Lee,
N. Stevens,	John C. Chesnutt,
J. T. Molton,	Jas. T. Mathis,
A. M. Blackburn,	A. N. Treadwell,
Jacob Underwood,	Wm. D. Peterson,
Francis Pugh,	

Initiated 4, Passed 2, Raised 2, Withdrawn 1, Died 2,
Expelled 1, Rejected 2.

COLUMBUS LODGE, NO. 102, PITTSBOROUGH.

OFFICERS.

John J. Brantley,	W. Master.
William S. Gunter,	S. Warden.
William Stedman,	J. Warden.
R. S. Poe,	Treasurer.
A. Featherman,	Secretary.
James F. Jolly,	S. Deacon.
Jos. Thompson,	J. Deacon.
Wm. McClenahan,	Tyler.

MEMBERS.

Wm. P. Taylor,	Alsey Murray,
R. C. Poe,	Jos. Goodwin,
John Neal,	H. H. Burks,
Spencer McClenahan,	Wm. McClenahan,
A. A. Marshall,	S. L. Riddle,
O. L. Burch,	Richard Webster,
Thomas J. Utley,	Jos. Thompson,
Asa B. Gunter,	Wm. S. Gunter,
John A. Hanks,	John J. Brantly,
Martin Hanks,	William Stedman,
William Foushee,	W. W. Stedman,
James Taylor,	C. S. Foushee,
John Terry,	Lucian Burnett,
John Heralson,	Wm. M. Denny,
Chesley Council,	James M. Jolly,
Ruffin Davis,	A. Featherman,
W. Nash,	Pascal McCoy,
S. S. Hamblet,	
Initiated 5.	

STAR IN THE EAST LODGE, NO. 103, ELIZABETH CITY.

OFFICERS.

Timothy Hunter,	W. Master.
Samuel Mathews,	Past Master.
Wilson G. Lamb,	S. Warden.
Robinson White,	J. Warden.
Nathaniel B. Wilroy,	Secretary.
Job Carver,	Treasurer.
William W. Griffin,	S. Deacon.
Caleb Sikes,	J. Deacon.
James Barber, }	Stewards.
Isaac H. Bray, }	
Geo. W. Kellinger,	Tyler.

MEMBERS.

Charles M. Laverty,	James Banks,
Joseph A. Turner,	Jno. J. Old,
Abram Harrell,	Thomas Mitchell,
Samuel J. Davis,	Mark S. Sawyer,
Gilbert Elliott,	Jeremiah D. Stokely,
Zion Culpepper,	E Nash,
George W. Charles,	Edw. Burgess,
Joseph H. Pool,	Geo. W. Brooks,
James Barbee,	Thomas White,
David Riddick,	S. D. Pool,
Jno. T. Williams,	Joseph N. Bell,
Edm. C. Blount,	William Davis,
Jno. M. Skinner,	W. P. Mathews,
A. B. Markham,	James D. Gregory.

Admitted 1, Initiated 3, Passed 3, Withdrawn 6, Suspended 2.

PERQUIMONS LODGE, NO. 106, HERTFORD.

OFFICERS.

Joseph M. Cox,	W. Master.
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Horace J. Butt,	S. Warden.
Willis H. Bagley,	J. Warden.
Nathan Bagley,	Treasurer.
James B. Skinner,	Secretary.
Malachi S. Berry,	S. Deacon.
Timothy Billups,	J. Deacon.
Mark D. Hathaway,	Tyler.
Exum Stokes,	I. Guard.

MEMBERS:

Jas. L. Freer,	John A. Morris,
Francis Nixon,	Timothy Billups,
Edward B. Sutton,	Mark D. Hathaway,
Jos. M. Cox,	James C. Skinner,
John W. Skinner,	James B. Skinner,
Thomas S. Jacocks,	Nathan Winslow,
Jacob E. Hunter,	Chas. M. Ford,
Milton Hudgins,	J. H. Jacocks,
Willis H. Bagley,	Exum Stokes,
James L. Gatling,	George W. Brewer,
Nathan Bagley,	Joseph G. Granberry,
Malachi S. Berry,	Josiah H. White.
Horace J. Butt,	

Admitted 1, Initiated 3, Passed 2, Raised 3, Withdrawn
1, Expelled 1, Rejected 1.

CLINTON LODGE, NO. 107, YANCEYVILLE.

OFFICERS.

Junius Dilworth,	W. Master.
Richard Furgerson,	S. Warden.
Hiram Lockard,	J. Warden.
James L. Graves,	Treasurer.
Wm. P. Womack,	Secretary.

Anderson Willis,	S. Deacon.
Henry Willis,	J. Deacon.
Hardy Felts,	Steward.
James H. Atkinson,	Tyler.

MEMBERS.

Junius Dillworth,	James Clark,
Richard Furgerson,	Moses Clark,
Henry Willis,	N. M. Roan,
James L. Graves,	Hardy Felts,
Wm. P. Womack,	Virgil M. Rainey,
Wm. A. Lea,	Hiram Lockard,
James H. Atkinson,	John K. Graves,
Anderson Willis,	Alfred A. Mitchell,
Wm. R. Neal,	Alfred M. Ellington.
Admitted 1, Initiated 2, Passed 1, Raised 2.	

BELMONT LODGE, NO. 103, DUPLIN.

OFFICERS.

James K. Hill,	Master.
Daniel B. Newton,	S. Warden.
Samuel R. Ireland,	J. Warden.
Joseph T. Rhodes,	Treasurer.
Albert R. Hicks,	Secretary.
John F. Rhodes,	S. Deacon.
Kenan Millard,	J. Deacon.
John F. Rhodes,	Steward.
Daniel Bourden,	Tyler.

MEMBERS.

Andrew J. Hurst,	Joshua Loftin,
Robert J. Hunter,	Charles O. Hurst,
Thomas J. Steward,	George W. Wallace,
David S. Hurst,	Johnson J. Baker,

Moses T. Manning, Stephen Howard,
 Christopher D. Hill, Luther R. Loftin.
 Admitted 2, Initiated 13, Passed 13, Raised 11.

The Grand Master would remind the Subordinate Lodges of the great importance of punctuality and accuracy in rendering their Annual Returns; and of the no less importance of a seasonable appointment, in the prescribed form, of Representatives to the Grand Lodge. It is well known, that the regulations of the Grand Lodge are controlled principally by the Representatives—from these are the Officers chosen, and from these are to be learnt the condition, views, feelings, and wants of the Craft in general, and of each individual Lodge in particular; and as a forfeiture of Charter is consequent upon certain delinquencies, it should therefore be the pride, as it is unquestionably the duty of every Lodge, to take prompt action in the premises, that the influence of each and every one may be duly felt and appreciated in the Grand Councils.

A frequent reference to the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Lodge, will prove beneficial in determining the proper course of action, in all matters pertaining to the duties incumbent on such as acknowledge its authority. On all questionable points, not otherwise readily determined, it would be well to appeal at once to the highest sources for advice, or to consult authorities already sanctioned by the Craft.

A very commendable practice prevails with some of the Grand Lodges, of embodying in their printed proceedings the names of all, coming to their knowledge, who have been suspended, expelled or rejected—thereby spread-

ing information essential to be known. Should a similar course be adopted by this Grand Lodge, it may not be amiss in the Subordinate Lodges to accompany their Annual Returns with a complete list, as far as practicable, of all cases under their immediate control.

As all expulsions, to be effectual, require confirmation of the Grand Lodge, it is hardly necessary to urge the propriety of communicating promptly all such cases as may occur, together with a statement of the grounds of expulsion.

Those Institutions best flourish, it is believed, who hold to the strictest accountability in every department of their government, all who may be responsible for the performance of particular duties; this truth is so apparent, that no one interested, it is hoped, need have it pressed farther upon their consideration.

An early and full attendance of the Members of the Grand Lodge would tend greatly to expedite the business of its Annual Communications. Owing to tardiness in this respect, it not unfrequently happens that many who are present at the commencement of the session, are compelled to leave before the transaction of the most important business, without an opportunity of participating therein. A reformation in this particular is loudly called for—which may easily be effected by the manifestation of a little more zeal, and the hearty co-operation of all who have duties to perform.

G. GRAND LECTURER.

Since the adjournment of the Grand Lodge, the M. W. Grand Master has appointed Rev. Bro. JACOB FRIEZE, of Wilmington, G. G. Lecturer, in accordance with a Resolution of the Grand Lodge in Proceedings of 1843. Besides the immediate duties connected with his office, he has it specially in charge to carry out the object contemplated by Resolution of Committee on page 46, Proceedings of same year.

